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1927-1929

May 14, 1927

Dr. Everardo Landa,
4ª del Peru Num. 130,
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Sir:

You may remember that two or three years ago we were in correspondence concerning Mexican Revolutionary coins and you were so kind as to send me rubbings of several that I did not have in my book. I am now preparing a supplement to this book and I would greatly appreciate it if you could either send me casts or make photographs of certain of your pieces. I have made photographs or drawings of all the new pieces that I have heard of, and I would be pleased to send these photographs to you. As I wrote in a previous letter, I would be very glad to pay for any expense that you incur.

I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW:MB

Dr. Everardo Landa.
8a. del Naranjo, 216,
México, D.F.

Mexico,
23th., May,
1927.

Mr.
Howland Wood,
New York.

Dear Sir:

I have received your valuable letter of 14th. inst.

I will be pleased to send you the photographs of all my Mexican Revolutionary coins that you not have; but it is necessary, in order to select the pieces and I could assist you in this matter, that you send me please the photographs and notes with regard to your new coins.

I have not any duplicates to sell.

Very cordially yours,

E. Landa

June 8, 1927

Dr. Everardo Landa,
8a, del Naranjo, 216,
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover, I am sending you my manuscript, notes and photographs of the American Revolutionary coins not contained in my book, published several years ago. You will note that some I have photographed, others are your rubbings and other collectors' rubbings. Wherever I have no photographs and especially those checked in red, I am anxious to get photographs. Also I am anxious to get photographs of any that I do not know of. Also, I would like to get as much history of these pieces as I can. If you can arrange to photograph any of these pieces, I would much appreciate it and will pay for all expenses incurred by you, as well as for the return postage on my notes. If you prefer to send your coins to me here, I can easily make the photographs and return the coins as soon as possible, but I suppose you do not care to have the coins go out of Mexico

I do not intend to describe all of the minor die varieties, such as my #18 and probably will not describe all of my #11, though I would like to know if you have any other die varieties of #11. I do not intend describing what I call unintentional die varieties, Zapata 2 peso pieces. There are too many of them and I do not think it would do any real good to describe every minor die. I, however, will mention different metals such as brass, lead and soforth or plain or milled edge.

Also if you have specimens better than those that I show, I would like photographs of these pieces. You may prefer to answer in Spanish and, if so, I can easily get translated what I cannot read myself.

Do you by chance know of any other collector in Mexico, who could supply any further information? I wish to thank you in advance and I appreciate that I am imposing quite a lot upon you.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW:MB

June 29, 1927

Dr. Everardo Landa,
8a, del Narajo, 216,
Mexico, D.F.

Dear Sir:

On June 8th I sent you my notes and photographs by registered mail and I trust that you received them. I am writing simply because I have not heard from you. If by any chance you did not receive them, please let me know at once.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW:MB

México, 6, julio, 1927.

Estimado señor.

El Manuscrito me llegó con retardo, pero yo lo he devuelto con fecha 27 de junio. y creo que estará hoy en poder de usted juntamente con mis notas y fotografías.

De Ud. afmo., atto. S. S.,

E. Lanza.

DR. EVERARDO LANDA.
8a. Naranjo.
MEXICO, D. F.

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Mr.
Howland Wood.
The American Numismatic Soc.
Broadway between 155th and
156th Streets, New York,
U. S. A.

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September 7, 1927

Dr. Everardo Landa,
8a del Naranjo, 216,
Mexico, D. F.

Dear Sir:

I am beginning to assemble my material for my new edition of the Revolutionary coinage. I am now taking up various questions with Mr.Hill. I do not remember hearing from you after having sent the money order. I trust you will receive this.

I am enclosing a rubbing of very poorly made copper coin with the date 1910. I have seen several of these and am at a loss to know what they are. They look to me as if they were counterfeits. Do you know anything about them?

I remain

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW:MB
Encl.

México,
19 de septiembre
de 1927.

Sr.
Howland Wood,
New York.

Muy estimado señor:

Recibí con toda oportunidad tanto el cheque como los dos ejemplares del folleto que por su amabilidad se sirvió mandarme, y le estoy muy agradecido.

Tomo nota de que ha comenzado usted a reunir el material para la nueva publicación sobre monedas revolucionarias mexicanas y espero tener el gusto de recibirlo.

El centavo a que usted se refiere en su carta del día 7 no es muy común, pero sí creo que es falsificación. En el año de 1910 se iniciaban apenas los disturbios revolucionarios y en realidad no había motivo para acuñar monedas extraoficiales y mucho menos las de ínfimo valor. Por otra parte, en ese año y por la celebración del primer centenario de la Independencia de México, se acuñaron medallas de oro, plata y cobre, aluminio, etc., que circularon a profusión. Nada raro es, por lo mismo, que algún desocupado haya querido significar su patriotismo lanzando esos curiosos centavitos.

Quedo de usted afmo. y muy atto. s. s.,

E. Lanza

1st February, 1928

Dr. Everado Landa,
8a del Naranjo, 216,
Mexico, D.F.

Dear Dr. Landa:

I am about half through with cataloguing and arranging my material for my new book on the Revolutionary coins. I was delayed as I was hoping to hear from Dr. Arguelles but have not received word from him. There are a few coins I would like to ask about, if I may.

On a small copper piece in the Hill collection, struck at Puebla, is the following inscription: TET. LA DEL ORO Y O CAMPO E. DE PU. Can you possibly give me a full or, at least, a better translation of it? Also, do you know of any other coins of Puebla besides this piece and those struck by the Brigadier Madero? You also were so kind as to give me a note of a piece in Dr. Arguelles's collection, two centavos, 1915, struck at Fezcoco. You say 'de barro'; I translate this as 'of clay'. Would you say 'clay' or 'terracotta', and also do you remember what color it is? Further, can you tell me the correct attribution of those pesos (chiefly sand-cast) of Chihuahua of the War of Independence period, with the counter-stamp:

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Curator

Dr. Everardo Landa.
8a. del Naranjo, 216,
México, D.F.

20 de febrero
de 1928.

Sr.
Howland Wood,
Nueva York.

Muy estimado señor:

Me refiero a la apreciable carta de usted de fecha 1o. de febrero.

La inscripción TET.LA DEL ORO Y O CAMPO E. DE PU. quiere decir: Tetela del Oro y Ocampo Estado de Puebla. Tetela es uno de los distritos en que se divide políticamente el Estado de Puebla; la población está al norte del Estado en lo que se llama Sierra Norte de Puebla; su nombre Tetela del Oro proviene del metal que dan sus minerales; y Ocampo se le agregó en memoria del mártir de la Reforma, don Melchor Ocampo, uno de los grandes hombres de México, sacrificado a traición en su hacienda de Pomoca, en el Estado de Michoacán.

No sé de otra moneda acuñada por Madero en Puebla aparte de la de Tetela y de las llamadas de la Sierra Norte de Pueba.

La moneda de Texcoco que está en poder del Dr. Argüelles es del valor un centavo, como de 15 milímetros de diámetro y dos a tres milímetros de espesor, y de terracota (barro) de color de rosa o rojo pálido.

Los resellos de las monedas de Chihuahua a que usted se refiere fueron probablemente ordenados por el Gobierno Español; no sé la exacta significación que tienen; hago investigaciones acerca del particular cuyo resultado, si es preciso, daré a usted con todo gusto. En la época de nuestra independencia era una costumbre muy generalizada resellar toda la moneda, de tal modo que las piezas de entonces presentan resellos sumamente variados cuya significación no siempre se sabe. Hay resellos de Morelos y de muchos insurgentes.

Esperando que mis informes sean útiles para usted, quedo su amigo afmo. y muy atto. s. s.,

E. Landa

May 26th, 1928.

Dr. Everado Landa,
8 a del Naranjo, 216,
Mexico, D.F.

Dear Dr. Landa:

I am very sorry to trouble younagain,but there is one question I would like to ask you. You may remember that you sent me photographs of one of those crude twenty centavo pieces, stating the piece was made of brass. Your typewritten description said 19mm, but the photograph itself measures 25mm. Which size is right ?

Also, you stated on my sheet of notes, that there were brass pieces of twenty centavos. Do you mean that there were also brass pieces of this type?

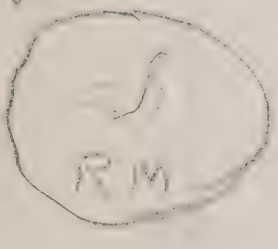
I have now gotten my catalogue all done, and hope to give it to the printer this summer.

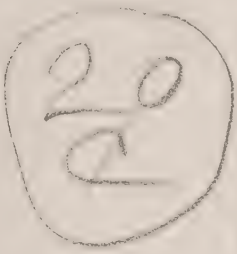
Very sincerely yours,

Curator.

Mr Sandar

Can you send me a photo of an coin

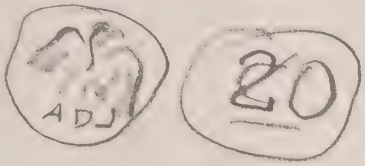




stating the price to be in brass.

Size 19 mm. but the photo measures 22 mm. which is right

Also you state two in brass varieties of the 20 C, Do you mean the above, or do you mean brass varieties of this type



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Dr. Everardo Landa.
8a. del Naranjo, 216,
México, D.F.

1o. de junio
de 1928.

Sr.
Howland Wood,
New York.

Estimado señor:

Me causa placer contestar la apreciable carta de usted de fecha 26 de mayo.

Remito unas calcas de las monedas por que usted pregunta. La de mayor tamaño, la de bronce, tiene exactamente 24 milímetros por una cara y 25 milímetros por la otra. En el dibujo va un perfil que demuestra lo que digo; lo que hace pensar que el corte es cónico y no cilíndrico. Las otras calcas muestran las dos monedas de cobre y de bronce, de 19 milímetros de diámetro y del mismo cuño. Sucede únicamente que la de bronce es más imperfecta, pues tiene puntos por completo borrados, como puede verse con el águila, cuya mitad inferior y las letras A D desaparecieron.

Sírvase usted aceptar un cordial saludo de su afmo. y muy atto. s. s.,

E. Landa

11th June, 1928

Dr. Everardo Landa,
8a. del Naranjo, 216,
Mexico, D.F.

My dear Dr. Landa:

I wish to thank you very much for your kind letter. I am now finishing up my manuscript and will have easily over 100 more numbers than I had in my first monograph. It may be a few months before the book is entirely printed; I will then send you some copies with my compliments.

Very truly yours,

Curator

16th Feb., 1929

Dr. Everardo Landa,
8a del Natanjo, 216,
Mexico City, D.F.

Dear Dr. Landa:

Two or three weeks ago I mailed you a copy of my monograph on the Mexican Revolutionary coins. Not having heard from you, I was wondering if you had not received it. In case you have not, I shall be glad to send you another copy.

Very truly yours,

Dr. Everardo Landa.
8a. del Naranjo, 216,
México, D.F.

20 de febrero de 1929.

Sr.
Howland Wood,
New York.

Muy estimado señor:

He tenido el gusto de recibir la atenta carta de Ud. del 16 de febrero, y también los dos ejemplares de la interesantísima monografía sobre Numismática Revolucioria de México.

Doy a Ud. cumplidas gracias por el valioso obsequio que con tanta fineza se ha servido hacerme, y me es grato enviarle calurosa felicitación por su trabajo.

Prometo a Ud. darle noticias de nuevas monedas de la Revolución cuando me lleguen.

Soy de Ud. afmo. y muy atto. s. s.,

E. Landa.